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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives has
3 established prudent fiscal parameters for the State budget with
4 House Resolution 110, which required the House Revenue &
5 Finance Committee to set the total amount of general fund
6 expenses for Fiscal Year 2012, and House Resolution 158, which
7 required that any amount of additional State revenue be used to
8 pay the backlog of unpaid State obligations rather than being
9 spent on more State services; and

10 WHEREAS, The Illinois House and the Illinois Senate passed
11 several State budget bills that held spending under the House
12 Revenue & Finance Committee's State revenue estimate; and

13 WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives passed the
14 two fiscally responsible resolutions by a vote of 112-0-0 for
15 House Resolution 110 and 114-0-2 for House Resolution 158,
16 respectively; and

17 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois would have paid employees
18 represented by the American Federation of State, County, and
19 Municipal Employees (AFSCME) an estimated \$2,762,956,700 in
20 all funds for payroll costs before the House of Representatives
21 and the Senate reduced the budget for Fiscal Year 2012; and

1 WHEREAS, The Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) for employees
2 represented by the American Federation of State, County, and
3 Municipal Employees (AFSCME) has averaged an increase of 4.25%
4 over the past 5 fiscal years; and

5 WHEREAS, The Consumer Price Index has averaged an increase
6 of 1.95% from the years 2007 to 2010; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
9 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the State shall appropriate for
10 no more than an X% increase for wage increases associated with
11 any and all collectively bargained contracts throughout State
12 government; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That it shall be the policy of the State of
14 Illinois that the size of, or a reduction in, the State
15 employee workforce shall not be a topic of collective
16 bargaining.